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SUBJ: IMPACT OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS' VISIT

BRASILIA FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS

1. FONMINISTER BLANCO CALLED ME YESTERDAY AFTERNOON TO TELL ME, ON HIS OWN BEHALF AND ALSO ON THE EXPRESSED INSTRUCTION OF PRESIDENT BORDABERRY, HOW PLEASED BOTH WERE WITH THE VISIT HERE OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS WHICH THEY JUDGED TO BE EXTREMELY POSITIVE IN EVERY RESPECT. THE COMBINATON OF THIS VISIT, THE MINISTER SAID, AND THE ELECTON OF FINMINISTER VEGH VILLEGAS AS PRESIDENT OF THE CIES MEETING IN WASHINGTON, HAS HAD AN IMPORTANT PSYCHOLOGICAL BENEFIT FOR A "LITTLE COUNTRY LIKE URUGUAY". TO BE TAKEN INTO THE COUNSELS OF "THE MOST POWERFUL NATION IN THE WORLD", TO HAVE A SENSE OF PARTICIPATION WITH IT AND CONSULTATION BY IT IN THE FORMULATION OF IMPORTANT DECISIONS IS APPRECIATED, THE MINISTER SAID, NOT ONLY BY THE GOVERNMENT BUT OBVIOUSLY BY THE PEOPLE OF URUGUAY. HE NOTED THE SUBSTANTIAL PRESS COVERAGE GIVEN TO EVERY ASPECT REOGERS' VISIT, AS WELL AS THE SYMPATHETIC, FRIENDLY, INTERESTED AND ACCURATE CHARACTER OF THE REPORTAGE--ALL WITH AMPLE SPACE TO PHOTOGRAPHS. HE THOUGHT ROGERS HAD BEEN JUDGED TO BE AN EFFECTIVE AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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2. APART FROM THE ABOVE APPRAISAL THE MINISTER COMMENTED ABOUT  
THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS HELD AND THE OPPORTUNITY

WHICHHE HAD TO DISCUSS IMPORTANT ISSUED WITH THE ASSISTANT  
SECRETARY AND TO PRESENT URUGUAY'S POINT OF VIEW. OF PARTICULAR IM-  
PORTANCE, HE SAID, WAS THE CUBA ISSUE, THE PROBLEM OF  
ENERGY AND ITS IMPACT ON URUGUAY, PREPARATIONS FOR THE OASGA  
AND THE PROPER PLACE FOR THE NEW DIALOGUE IN INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS.

3. I TOLD THE MINISTER I APPRECIATED GREATLY, AS I KNEW ASSISTANT  
SECRETARY ROGERS WOULD, THE ATTITUDE EXPRESSED BY HIMSELF AND ON  
BEHALF OF PRESIDENT BORDABERRY. I EXPRESSED MY APPRECIATION FOR THE  
CORDIAL RECEPTION WHICH HAD BEEN GIVEN TO ROGERS AND THE THOUGHTFULNESS

DEMONSTRATED BY URUGUAY'S HIGHEST OFFICIALS IN ACCOMMODATING  
THEIR SCHEDULES TO THE VERY DIFFICULT ONE WHICH THE ASSISTANT  
SECRETARY WAS REQUESTED TO FOLLOW. I TOLD HIM THAT I HAD BEEN  
ABOUTTO REPORT MY OWN PERSONAL APPRAISAL OF THE POSITIVE VALUE  
OF THIS VISIT BUT THAT WHAT HE HAD TOLD ME MADE MY OWN TASK EASIER.  
IT WOULD BE A PLEASURE, I SAID, TO REPORT THAT THE APPRAISAL OF  
URUGUAY'S HIGHEST OFFICIALS COINCIDED PRECISELY WITH MY OWN.

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